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TRAIN ROBBERS.

Get in Some Small Work Near Mexico.

The Louisiana Press Journal a few days ago published the following: Con Mullins, of Peck, Mich., was robbed of \$16 on the C. & A. Hammer Thursday night west of Bowling Green. He was asleep in the smoker and awoke to find a man feeling in his pocket. Mr. Mullen found that he had been touched and following the man to another seat he demanded his money and was struck in the mouth. This precipitated a mix-up and Conductor Smalley took Mullen into the chair car and locked the smoker door.

The man who did the robbing gave the name of John Wise and it developed that he was one of the party of three men, one woman and a monkey, who had been making county fairs.

The other men gave their names as Bert Wiseman, George Morgan and the woman said her name was Mable Smith.

Conductor Smalley telephoned from Bowling Green to the officers here and when the train reached this city Officers Edwards and Spencer, accompanied by several citizens went to the depot to arrest the gang. On the way up town they attempted to get away and several shots were fired and Morgan received a flesh wound in the arm. The party was locked up to await a preliminary hearing.

R. A. Purcell of Kansas City, claim agent of the Alton, was notified at Mexico of the occurrence and he came down on No. 24 and is investigating the case.

Mr. Mullen identified Wise as the man who picked him.

Moran's aim was dressed by Dr. Hardin who extracted a .38-caliber ball from the wound.

Wiseman and Wise were brought to Mexico Saturday, charged with the robbery referred to above, it being claimed that said robbery was committed in Audrain county, just east of Vandalia. They were arraigned before Judge L. N. Bass who gave Wiseman 60 days in jail and Wise was held to await the action of the grand jury.

Hollensville Items.

Our Hollensville correspondent writes:

H. Braden and wife are entertaining a new son since August 2, while Wm. Cowles and wife are happy over the arrival of a ten pound daughter on Aug. 3.

George Anderson and wife of Kansas City are expected in on a visit Aug. 15. Mrs. Anderson, who was Miss Hollenshead was one of Hollensville girls. She and George have lots of friends, besides the relatives, who will be glad to see them back in our midst.

Little Louise Woolery Dead.

Louis Morris, the little four years old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Woolery, who live southwest of Mexico, died at 9 p. m., the 11th inst. She had been sick three months with heart affection and other complications. Rev. C. M. Aker of this city conducted funeral service at the home last Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, after which the body was brought to Mexico for interment.

Scores of friends extend sympathy to the family in their bereavement.

James Creed, of near Molino, is completing a new residence.

The Misses Chapman of Skinner have been entertaining their cousin, Miss Nellie Palmer, of Sedalia.

Prof. Howard Parsons of Bowling Green will teach in the Missouri Military Academy in this city again this winter.

HON. E. C. WATERS.

Our Next Representative by a Close Vote.

Last week the Vandalia Mail contained the following article:

E. C. Waters, whose likeness accompanies this article, was nominated in the recent primary, on the Democratic ticket, for representative of Audrain County in the next Legislature, defeating his opponent, C. F. Clark, of Mexico, by two votes.

The result of the first count showed a tie between Mr. Waters and Mr. Clark, and it was thought that it would be necessary for the two gentlemen to draw for the honors. A recount, however, proved that Mr. Waters polled two more votes than Mr. Clark, and



HON. E. C. WATERS, AUDRAIN'S NEXT REPRESENTATIVE.

he was declared the nominee of the Democratic party, for Representative of Audrain county.

The following brief biographical sketch of the next representative from Audrain county will be particularly interesting at this time:

E. C. Waters was born in Ralls county, Mo., and spent his early life on a farm. He came to Audrain county in 1876, and has made his home in Vandalia since that time, with the exception of a short residence in Maryville, Mo.

For a number of years he was engaged in business in Vandalia, having a partnership in the firm of Coontz & Waters. At present he is engaged in practical farming.

Mr. Waters was postmaster of Vandalia under Cleveland's first administration, in which capacity he served the patrons of the office faithfully and impartially. He was Mayor of Vandalia, being elected in 1904, and served until 1906. He has been treasurer, and member of the Board of Education.

Mr. Waters has never before been a candidate for other official position, until nominated for Representative of Audrain county, at the recent primary.

If elected to this position, which no doubt he will be, Mr. Waters will, we feel assured, serve the people of Audrain county faithfully and consistently. He is a

gentleman against whom there has never rested the suspicion of dishonor or unfairness. Mr. Waters is a man who thinks and has views of his own. But those views will not hinder him, as the people's representative, from expressing their will and wishes in the legislature, and as a lawmaker he will represent and foster the interests of his entire constituency.

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DISCUSSING BOONE'S BONES.

A Former Audrain County Preacher Takes a Hand.

The Rev. R. E. McQuie referred to below up to within less than a year ago was pastor of Bean Creek Baptist church, this county,—was pastor of said church when their new building was erected five years ago. He is quite well known in the county, but he has stirred up quite a mess over some old dry bones:

Montgomery, Mo., Aug. 14.—By the declaration that his investigation had convinced him the bones of Daniel Boone were never removed from the Bryan graveyard near Marthasville, but the body of a stranger was taken back to Kentucky as that of Boone, the Rev. R. E. McQuie, a Baptist minister, aroused a storm that promises to rage in Missouri and Kentucky for a many a day. In a lengthy article printed here McQuie gives proofs that the Kentucky party which came for Boone's body made a mistake through its ignorance of the great pioneer's burial place. The body of a stranger, lying near Mrs. Boone's grave, was removed, McQuie says. Boone and his wife were not buried side by side, and as the graves were all unmarked the error was easy.

Frankford, Ky., Aug. 14.—Mrs. Jennie Morton, president and manager of the Kentucky Historical Society, denies that the body of Daniel Boone and his wife were not brought to this city for interment in 1845, but are still in Missouri.

Colonel E. H. Taylor, of this city, went to the Boone farm and had the graves of Daniel Boone and his wife pointed out to him by the grandsons of the pioneer. The remains were disinterred and a plaster cast was made of the skull of Daniel Boone, which is in the possession of the historical society. Two great grandsons of Daniel Boone recently visited the graves of their ancestors here.

Rev. Gorton closed a revival meeting at Midway church recently with 14 additions to the membership.

Dave Wilson and wife left this week for Eldorado Springs. They will be gone some time and go there on account of Mrs. Wilson's failing health.

It is said one of Perry's young men has taken to a serious study of the Scripture due to an incident which happened recently. In company with a friend he was detained over night by a rain storm at the home of some young ladies in the country. In this good home it was the custom of the family to repeat in unison the Lord's prayer before beginning the morning meal. The Perry boy was informed of this fact on his way to breakfast and braced himself for the ordeal. At the signal for the prayer he launched out on "Now I lay me down to sleep."

Barn Burned.

Robert Painter of this city lost his barn by fire last Saturday morning at about 1 o'clock. The fire department was called out but did not get there until too late. Some hay and grain also burned. Part of the loss covered by insurance.

Carrie Wright Dead.

Carrie Isabelle Wright, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Wright, died at her home in this city last Friday of typhoid fever. The little one was aged nine years. The funeral was held Saturday afternoon, burial in the Bryans Cemetery, south of Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Cullen are visiting the summer resorts on the lakes near Chicago.

"Hit 'Em Again!"

Mrs. A. W. Broughton of Paris, Monroe county, attended the Chautauqua at Monroe City recently and reports as follows to the Paris Appeal:

"The last night was the wettest night I ever saw. It rained until water flowed in streams through the tent. Everybody was soaked to the hind and thoroughly terrified. The lightnings flashed and the thunders rolled; the lights went out and children screamed. It was the worst hellabalo I ever experienced—but the Chautauqua paid out all right.

"Col. George W. Beine's temperance address was eloquent beyond description, but, say—it takes Billie Sunday to hand out hot talk along that line. I endorse all he said, you bet—cussin' and all. He raved and he roared. He shouted and grunted his teeth and shed his clothes. His coat and vest, collar and tie were cast aside as his fury against the traffic increased and the crowd became alarmed for fear of further losses when he paused occasionally to hitch up his trousers. But such a revelation of the hellishness and horror of the liquor traffic was never heard in that good town before. You could smell brimstone and hear the cauldrons roar as he warmed to his work. He was of the opinion that the church member who signed a petition would land in the same fire-box as the man who goes to hell by the drunkard's route. He was overcome with righteous fury at this point. Falling upon his knees, he smote the floor with his fists and ground his teeth together in his rage.

"If God takes the signer to heaven and sends the other fellow to hell," he shrieked, "I would rush into His presence and scratch Him in the face for such a travesty on justice. And I would say, 'What sort of a God are you, anyway, to send a poor fellow to hell for being a drunkard and then make room in heaven for the fellow that gave another man legal permission to make him a drunkard!'"

"He said some awful things, and don't you doubt it, but they were as music in my ear. It was all I could do to keep from shouting right out in meeting. 'Hit 'em, again, Billie!'"

Mrs. Walter Campbell of this city has been entertaining Miss Emma Rowe of St. Louis.

Rev. Taylor, the pastor at Long Branch church, offered his resignation recently and the congregation accepted.

In honor of a Mexico Girl.

The Sabetha (Kansas) Star said last week:

A jolly crowd of hay riders under the chaperonage of Mr. and Mrs. Porter, went to Echo Lake Tuesday evening and had a grand and glorious time. The occasion was in honor of Mrs. Porter's cousin, Miss Emma Green, of Mexico, Missouri. A lunch of large dimensions was spread and was met with appetite far from diminutive. The evening was spent in conversation and bonriding.

Mrs. M. A. Landen is visiting at Jerseyville, Ill.

Mrs. Price Johnson has been visiting relatives at Clarksville.

Eugene Dickerson, of the vicinity of Skinner, was recently granted a life's certificate to teach at the Warrensburg Normal.

A burglar entered W. G. Wilkins shoe store last Friday night and helped himself to the finest pair of shoes he could find in the shop. The empty shoe box was found next morning in the alley back of the store.

SURROUNDING AUDRAIN

Lighting killed three cows recently for Thomas Peake, near Santa Fe.

George Raney of Perry marketed 530 gallons of blackberries this season.

The meanest barber lives at Stoutsville. He charges two prices for shaving defeated candidates, on the theory that their faces are twice as long as the average man's.

A Bowling Green girl told her "young man" she wouldn't marry him until he had done something brave. He started to court the girl next door, and she sent word the second night that he was the bravest man she ever met.

A correspondent at Lone Oak, Pike county, in writing to the Louisiana News says: Everett Woodson, son of Wm. Woodson, of Laddonia, shot himself Friday evening. He was handling a pistol which was accidentally discharged.

The Kansas City Post says that the young men in Fayette are the right sort. A chap named Fields from Mexico is courting one of the Fayette girls and her home admirers say generously that if she is looking for new fields to conquer it is all right with them.

Born, to C. E. Mayhall and wife, of Laddonia, at the home of J. W. M. Palmer, in Elsberry, Wednesday morning, August 13th, 1908, a daughter. The Bowling Green Times comments that the fond dad can now enjoy the early morning walks with the youngster.

The little two year old child of Mrs. John B. Stephenson, west of Fulton, fell into a well 18 feet deep containing four feet of water. Mrs. S. swung herself and dropped down to the child and then climbed out safely holding the child by its clothing with her teeth. That mother is a true heroine.

Kansas City capitalists paid \$30,000 for Harris Springs, near Middle Grove, last week. The place was owned by a Centralia company which had spent considerable money on a hotel and improvements. The new owners, it is reported, will build an electric line to the Springs from either Moberly or Centralia.

Col. Dick Dalton of Ralls county, who held an office in St. Louis under appointment of President Cleveland, has quit politics for apples. He has 2,500 barrels of apples in his orchard this year and he says he is very much more interested in whether he will get \$10 a barrel for them than he could ever be in politics again.

Rev. E. J. Lampton of Louisiana, Mo., now an old man, says that the old cabin, the so-called birth-place of Mark Twain, was not in fact the house he was born in but that the great humorist was born in the house of his grandfather, Ben Lampton, which stood just behind the Ben Lampton Store in Florida at that time. This statement is predicated on the statement of Aunt Polly Ann Buchanan now dead who told Rev. Lampton she was present at the birth of the celebrated author and that she put his swaddling clothes on him. He also states that the Ben Lampton house where Mark Twain was born was bought by John Reavis and torn down and moved to some point in Monroe county.

Mexico Savings Bank

Capital and Surplus, \$150,000.00

40th Year in Business

W. W. Fry, Pres.
Sam Locke, Cashier.